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COUNTY OF DECATUR	)	AVC NO	06-033	CLER	IK, DECATUR CIP	CUIT COURT	}
IN RE: MANUEL EICHE Individually and d EICHER BROTHI CONSTRUCTION	′b/a ER'S		CELLANE			NT 3	07
Respondent	•	)					

## ASSURANCE OF VOLUNTARY COMPLIANCE

The State of Indiana, by Attorney General Steve Carter and Deputy Attorney General, Eric Jackson, and the Respondent, Manuel Eicher, individually and d/b/a Eicher Brother's Construction, enter into an Assurance of Voluntary Compliance ("Assurance") pursuant to Indiana Code § 24-5-0.5-7.

Any violation of the terms of this Assurance constitutes *prima facie* evidence of a deceptive act. This Assurance is entered into without any adjudication of any issue of fact or law, and upon consent of the parties.

## The parties agree:

- The Respondent, Manuel Eicher individually and d/b/a Eicher Brother's
  Construction, is an individual engaged in the home improvement business, with a principal place of business located in Decatur County at 7780 North County Road 225 East, Greensburg, IN 47240.
- 2. The terms of this Assurance apply to and are binding upon the Respondent, his employees, agents, representatives, successors, and assigns.

- 3. The Respondent acknowledges the jurisdiction of the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General to investigate matters hereinafter described, pursuant to the authority of Ind. Code § 4-6-9-4 and Ind. Code § 24-5-0.5-1, et seq.
- 4. Respondent agrees, pursuant to Ind. Code §24-5-11-10, in every home improvement transaction to provide a completed home improvement contract to the consumer before it is signed by the consumer. Respondent agrees that the contract must contain at a minimum the following:
  - (a) The name of the consumer and the address of the residential property that is the subject of the home improvement;
  - (b) The name and address of the home improvement supplier and each of the telephone numbers and names of any agent to whom consumer problems and inquiries can be directed;
  - (c) The date the home improvement contract was submitted to the consumer and any time limitation on the consumer's acceptance of the home improvement contract;
  - (d) A reasonably detailed description of the proposed home improvements;
  - (e) If the description required by Indiana Code §24-5-11-10(a)(4) does not include the specifications for the home improvement, a statement that the specifications will be provided to the consumer before commencing any work and that the home improvement contract is subject to the consumer's separate written and dated approval of the specifications;
  - (f) The approximate starting and completion dates of the home improvements;
  - (g) A statement of any contingencies that would materially change the approximate completion date;
  - (h) The home improvement contract price; and
  - (i) Signature lines for the home improvement supplier or the supplier's agent and for each consumer who is to be a party to the home improvement contract with a legible printed or a typed version of that person's name placed directly after or below the signature.

- 5. The Respondent agrees that each of its home improvement contracts will be in a form that each consumer who is a party to the contract can reasonably read and understand, as required by Ind. Code § 24-5-11-10(b).
- 6. The Respondent agrees that before the consumer signs the home improvement contract and before the consumer can be required to make a down payment, the Respondent will have agreed unequivocally by written signature to all of the terms of the home improvement contract, as required by Ind. Code § 24-5-11-11.
- 7. The Respondent agrees that he will give a fully executed copy of the home improvement contract, showing the dates the Respondent and each consumer executed the contract, to the consumer immediately after the consumer signs it, as required by Ind. Code § 24-5-11-12.
- 8. Respondent, in soliciting and/or contracting with consumers, agrees to refrain from conducting any business activity in the State of Indiana unless those activities are in full compliance with the Home Improvement Contracts Act, Ind. Code §24-5-11-1 et seq.
- 9. Upon execution of this Assurance, Respondent shall pay investigative costs in the amount of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to the Office of the Attorney General.
- 10. Respondent shall not represent that the Office of the Attorney General approves or endorses Respondent's past or future business practices, or that execution of this Assurance constitutes such approval or endorsement.
- 11. Respondent shall fully cooperate with the Office of the Attorney General in the resolution of any future written complaints the Consumer Protection Division receives.

12. The Office of the Attorney General shall file this Assurance with the Circuit Court of Decatur County. The Court's approval of this Assurance shall not act as a bar to any private right of action.

DATED this day of October, 2006
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STATE OF INDIANA

RESPONDENT

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Manuel Eicher

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Judge, Decatur County Circuit Cour